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NEWS OF THE NATIONAL COIN ALBUM

JUNE, 1940

While the descriptive price list of this popular album carefully describes all the pages and albums available we think this page should give fuller details and advice to collectors as to the most suitable album or pages for his specialty.

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Large Cents

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The Director of the Mint has issued an amended report showing that \$125,000 in 5 cent pieces were struck at the San Francisco Mint in March, instead of \$25,000.

The second publication in the "Coin Collector Series," the Coins of Mexico, will be ready about July 1st. The Silver Ecus of France will follow shortly.

"New Vatican City Coins Will Honor Pius XII"

The Vatican State is about to put into circulation the new coins bearing the head and armorial bearings of Pope Pius XII., together with the year of his election. In all other respects these coins will be exactly the same as those minted for the papacy of Pius XI. The minting of the Vatican currency is regulated by a special financial convention with Italy, concluded in August, 1930, and ratified the following January. The Vatican coins are of the same value, material, and dimensions as the Italian coins, the only difference being in the minting.

"Aluminum Francs Coined by France"

Twenty million five-franc pieces made of aluminum and bronze have been put into circulation to replace the paper five-franc notes brought out when the war was declared last September. The paper notes were necessary because the aviation industry's demand for nickel forced the government to melt all original five-franc pieces.

We have had numerous requests for articles giving general information in regard to foreign gold coins. We have in preparation a new series on the Gold Coins of the Nineteenth Century.

Edgar H. Adams died in May after a long illness. Mr. Adams was well known as the former editor of The Numismatist and was the author of many numismatic works on U. S. Pattern Coins, California Gold Coins, U. S. Store Cards and Latin American Coins.

Mr. Edwin Brooks, stamp and coin editor of the Chicago Herald-American, has sent us some interesting notes.

Sixty Years Ago In The Coin Collectors Journal

May—The Coins of the United States — 1797 Cents. Proclamation Against Wood's Half Pence. Franklin vs. The American Eagle.

"In a playful letter from Passy to his daughter (Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Bache), ridiculing the then new Order of the Cincinnati, Dr. Franklin said: For my own part I wish the bald eagle had not been selected as the representative of our country. He is a bird of bad moral character; he does not get his living honestly; you may see him perched upon some dead tree, where, too lazy to fish for himself, he watches the labor of the fishing hawk, and when that diligent bird has taken a fish and is bearing it to his nest for the support of his mate and young ones, the bald eagle pursues him and takes it from him. With all this injustice he is never in good card, but, like those among men who live by sharping and robbing, he is generally poor and often very lousy. I am, on this account, not displeased that the figure 9 on the badge of the Cincinnati, is not known as a bald eagle, and looks more like a turkey. For in truth the turkey is a much more respectable bird, and withal a true, original native of America. Eagles have been found in all countries, but the turkey was peculiar to ours. He is besides (though a little vain and silly, 'tis true, but not the worse emblem for that), a bird of courage and would not hesitate to attack a grenadier of the British guards, who should presume to invade his farmyard with a red coat on.

Patterns of 1878-79 Descriptions of the Stella, Goloid Metric and Metric Dollars. Bracteates -With a tabulation of the most prominent city types.

Items: 'At the French Mint are shown new specimens of a coin which will be the blue ribbons of numismatics of the future. These are five franc pieces struck during the reign of the Commune. At first sight they have all the appearance of coins of like value under the Empire; but there is a difference, and it thus occurred: When the Communists began to run short of cash. they wanted to coin some new fashioned money, but were informed that no workmen competent for the task could possibly be got. Consequently, they were compelled to go on using Napoleon's dies. Camelinat, however, who was then Master of the Mint, bethought him of a slight innovation. On one side of the five franc pieces of Napoleon are three emblems, one of which is a bee, representing the sign of the Director of the Mint. Camelinat replaced the bee by a trident. About 1,200,000 francs of these coins were struck, but had hardly been completed when the troops entered Paris, and nearly all these coins were despatched to be melted and re-coined.'

June The Coins of the United States 1797 Half Cents, 1798 Cents. Papal Coins. Life and Death of Struthio Camelus, at Rome. Coinage for 1879 at U. S. Mints This report shows the issue of 1950 minor proof sets, 1077 full proof sets and 27 gold proof sets. No wonder gold proofs of this date are rare.

MORITZ WORMSER



Photograph by Underwood and Underwood

It is with extreme regret that we report the death of our old friend, Moritz Wormser, who died suddenly on May 22nd at his home in Woodmere, Long Island. His death came as a sad shock to his many friends and associates, and the numismatic world mourns one of its outstanding members.

Moritz Wormser was born in Heidelberg, Germany, on August 26th, 1878. His father, Samuel Wormser, was a naturalized citizen of California in 1861. Mr. Wormser's early schooling began in Wiesbaden, Germany, and it was during those early years that he became interested in numismatics. With the aid of his father he formed his first coin collection. Upon the death of Samuel Wormser, young Moritz came to New York City in

1896 to live with his uncle. He attended Columbia University (B.A. '99), Colorado College (B.A. 1900), and was graduated from Columbia as a Civil Engineer in 1903.

During the years from 1909 to 1911 he was engaged in business under the firm name of Wormser-Goodman Construction Co. in New York City. In 1912 he founded the firm of Wormser & Co., Commercial Financing, and in 1936 established the present New Netherlands Coin Company.

It was about 1912 when he became again actively interested in numismatics, especially in the New York Numismatic Club, the American Numismatic Society and the American Numismatic Association. Mr. Wormser's activities in the A.N.A. are well known by its members. He became a life member and was elected to the Board of Governors in 1917 and became Chairman of this Board in 1919. In 1921 at the Boston Convention he was elected President, and remained in this post until 1926. From 1926 to 1936 he was a member of the Board of Governors. Mr. Wormser was a Fellow of the American Numismatic Society in New York, and elected to its Council in 1930.

Other numismatic organizations with which he was connected are: Chicago Numismatic Club, Honorary Member: Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, California Coin Club; Life Member, New York Numismatic Club; Member, Boston Numismatic Society, Rochester Numismatic Association.

Mr. Wormser travelled a great deal, and wherever he was, made friends easily. He was a familiar and popular figure at the annual conventions of the American Numismatic Association, and will indeed be missed in local and national coin circles.

PERMANENT COIN EXHIBITS IN THE UNITED STATES

The Knox Collection

Buffalo Museum of Science, Buffalo, N. Y.

This collection is one of the few open to the public which endeavors to connect the use of money with the growth of civilization. It is a vivid display which shows the origin of money, its various uses, the development of monetary standards, and includes many rare coins and media of exchange as well as coins of historical importance.

We can give but a brief outline of what this collection contains. However, for those who wish a detailed description, the Museum's bulletin "The Story of Money," an extremely interesting and well illustrated book, is

available.

The exhibition begins with the barter period which is represented by specimens of the early forms of barter, and illustrated by a modeled group in wax showing two early tribes exchanging surplus goods. The evolution of China's coinage, early Greek and Roman coins, Mediaeval and modern issues are shown in sequence. Transparent drawings on each side of the cases depict the methods of making coins, from the tedious labor of producing shell money, through the ancient molding and striking processes, to the invention of the screw press and the modern minting methods.

The Knox Collection abounds in the odd and curious media of exchange. These include the rare feather money of the Santa Cruz Islands, Samoan ceremonial mat, wampum, shell and bead money, as well as many other unusual specimens.

The early money of America is well represented—the beaver skin, tobacco, wampum, gold dust, even the bottle of fire water which proved such an efficient medium of exchange in early

America.

Other cases show coins of historical interest, cut and counter-stamped coins, coins of the Bible, coins of curious shape, early paper money and modern issues.

The Collection is housed in the Hall of Civilization, and comes under the Museum's general heading of Anthropology. It was made possible through a gift by Mrs. Seymour H. Knox. The specimens were acquired by Mr. Chauncey J. Hamlin, President of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences, and arranged by Stuart Mosher, Associate in Numismatics, in 1936.

An inspection of this collection is well worth the while of any one who is interested in a graphic and exciting presentation of the development of man

and money.

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DUTCH GUIANA

(Surinam)

1	1679 4 Doits. Parrot std.	
	on branch, value behind. R	
	Tree	\$2.50
2	1679 2 Doits. Similar	3.50
3	1679 Doit. Similar	3.50
4	1679 4 Doits. Reverse blank	2.00
5	1679 2 Doits. Similar	2.50
6	1679 Doit. Similar	3.00
7	1764 Doit, Cocoa plant	1.00

FRENCH GUIANA

(Cayenne)

Base metal or copper. Some show light silvering.

Louis XVI

1	Sou. C	rowned	C. R	Blank	.25
2	2 Sous	1780-89	. Fleu	r de lis,	
	crown	ed			.25
3	3 Sous	1781.	Similar		3.50

Louis XVIII

4 10 Centimes 1818. Crowned	
monogram	.25
There is a pattern 2 Sou piece 1816 type of preceding reign. It is	
Louis Philippe	
5 10 Centimes 1846. Similar	.25

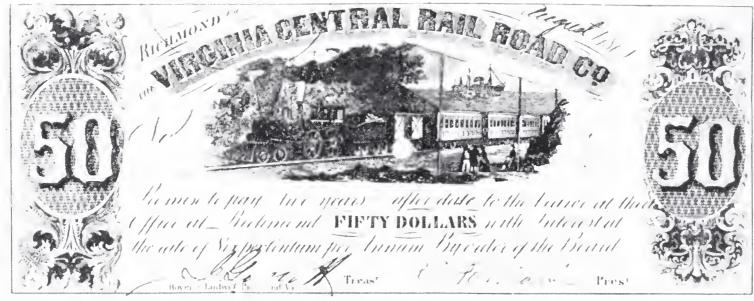
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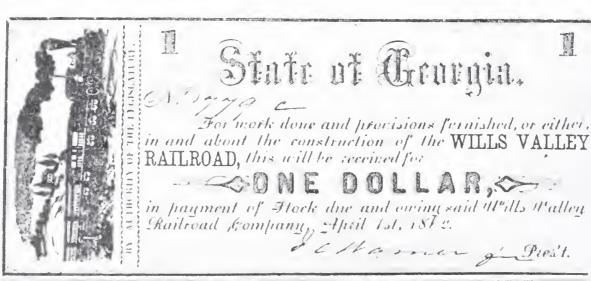
Ferdinand VII

1	Half reale	1813-1817.	Lion.	R	
	Castle .				50

Some of these coins are often called quarter reales as they vary greatly in size. They all bear the fraction 12 however. Their condition is usually very poor or crude. In order to show the complete type we were forced to make a line drawing.







RAILROAD NOTES

By H. R. STEPHENS

The Philadelphia, Newtown & New York Railroad Company

The P. N. & N. Y. R.R. Co. was incorporated under the general laws of Pennsylvania, November 28, 1876 as a successor company to three previously incorporated companies, i. e.:

The original predecessor road, The Philadelphia & Montgomery County Railroad Co., incorporated under special act of Legislature of the Common-

wealth of Penna., 1860.

On March 20, 1872, this company became the Philadelphia & Newtown Railroad and on January 29th, 1873 the name was again changed to The Philadelphia, Newtown and New York Railroad Company (original company).

This last named company constructed 5.8 miles of road between Philadelphia and Borough of Newton, Pa., which was operated as part of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. under October 4, 1876, which it was sold at foreclosure, and with the Philadelphia & Newtown Connecting Railroad Co. (incorporated March 1st, 1892) make up the P.N. & N.Y.R.R. Co. the issuer of the note illustrated. The P.N. & N.Y. R.R. is now part of the Philadelphia & Reading Co.

The Virginia Central Railroad Co.

Under date of February 18, 1836, by special act of the State of Virginia there was incorporated a railroad known as the Louisa Railroad Co.

Under date of February 2, 1850 the name of this road was changed to The Virginia Central Railroad Co., the issuer of the note illustrated.

The original incorporation built during its existence a single track standard gauge railroad 418.9 miles in length, extending from Richmond, Va., to Huntington, W. Va., this property being operated by the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Patomac Ry. Co. from 1837 to 1847, the operating company

furnishing all equipment.

Under special acts of Virginia and West Virginia approved in 1867, the name of this road was changed to the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Co., effective August 31, 1868. Under date of October 9, 1875 the properties were placed under custody of a receiver and operated by him until July 1, 1876, when the properties were acquired through foreclosure by the present C. & O. Ry. Co.

The Wills Valley Railroad Company

The Wills Valley Railroad was incorporated under special acts of the States of Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia, the charter providing for a line running from Chattanooga to Tuscaloosa, Ala., a distance of 182 miles.

On November 18, 1868 the Wills Valley Railroad Co. was consolidated with the North East and South West Alabama Railroad Co. (chartered 1852-4 to run from Meridan, Miss., to Chattanooga, Tenn.,) to form the Alabama and Chattanooga R.R. original route as set forth in charter was to run from Maine to New Orleans, but as of 1869-70 only 2215 miles had been constructed, running from Meridan, Miss., to York Station, Ala., and an additional 21 miles from Wahatchie, Tenn., to Trenton, Ga.

On June 20, 1877, the company was sold at foreelosure and acquired by the Alabama Great Southern Railroad Co., now a part of the Southern System.



New Issues and Miscellanea

Coins and medals described from left to right, beginning at top of plate.

- CANADA. 1939 Medal commemorating the visit of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to Canada.
- england. 1937 Coronation medal of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.
- BRAZIL. 2000 Reis 1939. Facing bust of Floriana Peixoto 1839-1939. R Value and date in wreath.
- GUATEMALA. 1859 Peso. Similar to No. 12 in "Silver Dollars of North and South America" except that obverse has much larger letters in legend. Undoubtedly very scarce.

- NEW ZEALAND. 1940 Centennial medal issued by the New Zealand Numismatic Society.
 - 1940 Half Crown commemorating the Centennial.
 - 1940 Penny and Half penny.
- ROUMANIA. 1939 Silver 250 Lei. Head of King Carol. B Arms and value within wreath.
- YUGO-SLAVIA, 1938 silver 50 Denara. Head of young King Peter. R
 Double headed eagle.

CANADIAN COIN NOTES

Edited by J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON

Since writing my last article, I have attended two meetings of the Toronto Coin Club. They are a fine group of congenial, active numismatists. Quite a number are young in collecting, but all are adult in mind and personality.

The President, Robert Robillard, and the Secretary J. Bruce Parker, have devoted a great deal of time to making the Club a success. They have been greatly assisted by Norman Mason, District Secretary of the American Numismatic Association who is himself a keen student, a hard worker and a fine organizer.

Mr. W. Williams, the veteran Canadian numismatist is one of the most active members.

Mr. Williams' collection is particularly strong in the Canadian series. It was Mr. Williams who presented to the Chateau DeRamezay in Montreal for their wonderful collection, specimens of interesting tokens as used on an early Canadian Railroad by the engineers to pay for the cord wood which they would buy en route for the operation of their locomotives. These tokens would then be redeemed at the Railway Office at the current price for cord wood. These tokens are now very rare.

I was interested to know that both Mr. Williams and Norman Mason have in their collection, specimens of the Northwest Company token, Raymond's 144.

While Breton states that not over five or six specimens of this token are known, we now know that a few more than this number have survived, but are extremely rare. Since the Northwest Company is one of the most his-



toric in the early development of Canada, one feels as if he is holding in his grasp, much of the gripping atmosphere of the early days of fur trading and exploration while admiring one of these early tokens of 1820.

The Copper Company of Upper Canada

Speaking of Toronto one thinks of the token supposedly issued by the Copper Company of Upper Canada, Raymond's 71 and the restrike of it, Raymond's 72.



An excellent account of these tokens appears in the article written by the late R. W. McLachlan, on the "Copper Tokens of Upper Canada" which appeared in the AMERICAN JOURNAL

OF NUMISMATISTS for 1915. This article has become the authoritative classification for the tokens of Upper Canada.

In it, the late Mr. McLachlan, while referring to this coin as being the earliest relating to the Province, struck under British rule, mentions that it is in reality an English 18th Century Trade Token issued, as he believed, as a speculation by some English coin dealer for sale to collectors.

Apparently the first example of this token which appeared in Canada was purchased in England by the late Mr. Thomas Wilson back around 1870. All known examples of this piece are bronze proofs. It is one of the most beautiful tokens issued for any country, being the work of Ponthon. Perhaps the earliest reference to this token that we have is in an article as written by the Rev. Mr. Christmas. It is from this description that Alfred Sandham took his information. While it is very questionable if this token was ever struck for legitimate business transactions, the originals of this token will undoubtedly remain as one of the most sought after of the Canadian token They are extremely rare and magnificent examples of engraving. The restrikes can easily be distinguished from the original by several noticeable differences (one of these, the "o" in "Copper" is round and not oval as on the restrike.) Most numismatists endeavour to secure an example of the restrike in one, two or three of the metals in which it appears in order that this part of the Ontario series may be as complete as possible. One of the most recent additions to my own cabinet was a beautiful proof specimen of the original.

The Leslie Tokens

These are the only Upper Canada (Ontario) tokens of the early days of the Colony, unless we include the

token of the Copper Company of Upper Canada, which bears the name of the issuing firm. They have long been popular in the Canadian series as they are well struck and appear on heavy plans. They were struck with the intention of serving as a medium of exchange rather than for any purpose of profit to the issuing firm.

Leslie & Sons were druggists and book-sellers doing an extensive business throughout the Province. Their head office was located in Toronto and they had branches in Kingston and in Dundas. The tokens are in two denominations—the twopence and half penny, Raymond's 67 and 68.



The half-penny comes in five quite noticeable die varieties while there is but one variety of the two pence. Each of the die varieties in the half penny are well described in McLachlan's "The Copper Tokens of Upper Canada." They are his varieties 26 to 30.

These tokens in fine or better condition are becoming increasingly difficult to locate and are mighty desirable specimens in any collection.

1940 Coinage of the Dominion of Canada

The Dominion of Canada have already this year issued coinage in denominations of 50e, 25c, 10e, 5e and 1c. Unless a change in policy is decided upon there will be no silver dollars issued in 1940.

BOOK REVIEW

By H. F. BOWKER

A Bibliography on Far Eastern Numismatics and An Union Index of the Currency, Memorial Pieces, Charms and Amulets of the Far East. By Arthur Braddan Coole, Peking, 1940.

The imposing title of this 421-page volume is much less impressive than its contents. Space precludes more than a brief summary of the many sections under which the subject of Far Eastern Numismatics has been analysed.

Part I, the bibliography, is subdivided into seven sections, which list, first, the many previously published bibliographies which have been used in the preparation of this work, followed by alphabetically arranged lists of books and magazine articles in Chinese, Japanese, and western languages, together with several appropriate indices. Three hundred ninetytwo Chinese works: one hundred eighty-three books and thirty-four magazine entries in Japanese; and one hundred three books and an equal number of magazine articles in western languages, are listed, together with biographical information regarding authors and editorial comment on the texts of the more important ones which have been perused by the author.

Part II, the Union Index, lists one thousand seventy-nine different character combinations found on Chinese and chinoid coins, and refers to the books in which the particular coins are illustrated, described, or discussed. Both

sections are very well cross-indexed for ready reference.

The conception of this work is scholarly and comprehensive, but it is regretted that the limitations of the printer and proof-reader have greatly marred an otherwise first-rate performance. The author makes no claim for all-embracing completeness or finality for his work, but modestly states that he presents it "as the foundation for a future scientific study of the coins, paper currency, charms and amulets, and commemorative issues of the Far East. . . . " It is all of that, and more. In its preparation the author has had the help of a number of Chinese and Japanese collaborators and editorial assistants, who have contributed largely to making the oriental sections, in the opinion of the reviewer, the best part of the work. The sections listing books and magazine articles in western languages are much abbreviated, due to the limited amount of material in this category in Peking libraries. During the past winter the present writer has investigated the oriental numismatic resources of a number of American libraries, and his listing of occidental works and magazine articles on Far Eastern numismatics, excluding all material on Japanese coinage, is more than double the number listed by Coole. A notable omission is the absence of any references to the coinage of Tibet. Another is the lack of any references to the many publications in Japanese, issued by numismatic clubs in Japan.

In that country the forming of collections of Chinese coins is a time-honored pastime. One of the principal activities of these clubs is the periodical issue of brochures consisting of uchigata rubbings of coins in the collections of members, sometimes accompanied by text and usually authenticated by the vermilion scals of their owners. The Robinson Collection in the Essex Institute in Salem, Mass., has an excellent selection of this type of material, and a very presentable showing is also to be found in the library of the American Numismatic Society of New York.

Internal evidence points to this list being largely a compilation from other bibliographics and indices of libraries. It is obvious from the number of errors which have been noted that the greater part of the items listed have not been examined by the author. No first-rate bibliography has ever been prepared from such sources, unless the author has made it a point to personally examine the works listed. A case in point is the listing in French of a number of valuable articles which appeared in English in the Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan from the pen of Henry Alexander Ramsden. He was one of the most prolific and outstanding writers of the past on Far Eastern numismatics, but only a fraction of his works are enumerated. A complete list of his more important writings would run to over fifty items. Curiously, a work is listed and attributed to Ramsden as number 3 of his series of Manuals of Far Eastern Numismatics, "Chinese Spade Coins," which so far as is known was announced for publication prior to his death, but which seems never to have been issued. It is also doubtful if the 1883 edition of Haas' "Catalogue of the Collection of Coins made by the late Captain C. Longueville . . ." was ever actually published. Justus Doolittle appears as the author of a title which was the work of C. D. Hillier; and the portfolio of plates which is the second volume of "The Currency of the Farther East" by Lockhart, is listed also as a separate work by Glover, who merely formed the collection from which it is taken.

Issue is taken as to the utility or desirability of the segregation of the books and magazine articles into separate sections. This has caused the duplication of titles, as for instance a number of articles by Kann, Racburn, and Glanthe, which first appeared in magazines and were later reprinted as Bulletins of the Numismatic Society of China. The use of the bibliography would be greatly facilitated by the combining of sections D and E, and F and G, into single lists, as recommended by Schneider's Theory and History of Bibliography.1

Mr. Coole is to be congratulated on his combined use of Romanized Chinese and Japanese with the characters from which it is derived throughout in the publication for titles, authors, and place-names; and the adoption of the Wade system of Romanization.

Despite the minor faults which can be found, here is a work which is indispensable to anyone who has more than a superficial interest in Far Eastern numismatics, and it is the opinion of the reviewer that it will never be superceded but may only be supplemented by another edition of the same work.

Theory and History of Bibliography by Georg Schneider, translated by Ralph Robert Shaw, Columbia University Press, New York, 1934.

ROMAN COINS

Edited By G. W. HUSKER

COINS OF THE LEGIONS



After Marc Antony's defeat at Actium (BC 31), the legions under arms numbered fifty, of which Augustus discharged all but eighteen. Organized into a permanent corps, this body became the first standing army of Rome. The Augustan legion being composed of 5,500 foot soldiers, this provided a total force of less than 100,000 men which turned out to be too small to handle the extensive military operations then in progress. Consequently additional legions were enrolled until at the end of Augustus' reign twenty-five were in service. By the middle of the first century new levies had increased the standing army

to a total of thirty legions, which number remained fixed up to the time of Septimius Severus. The legions were assigned to stations in the provinces and each was given definite garrison and police duties to perform within its district. These assignments were infrequently changed and oftentimes a legion might be garrisoned in one locality for a considerable number of years. The full official title of a legion consisted of its number and surname. The surname might be derived from the place of origin or service (Hispania), or from the name of the emperor-founder of the corps (Augusta). Other surnames indicate

the tutelary deity of the legion (Minervia), or refer to some circumstance attendant upon its foundation (Gemina, a legion formed from a combination of two). The standards of each legion were decorated with an emblem or badge such as a representation of a deity, a mythological creature, or an animal. These legionary emblems are often found on works constructed by the legions and are also found on the The part played by the coinage. legions in the internal politics of the Empire was enormous. They early learned that it was within their power to make and unmake emperors and the lesson was never forgotten. As time went on the emperors held their thrones only at the will of the army and in the face of ever increasing demands for special pay and donatives which eventually brought the Empire to the verge of bankruptcy. With the view of flattering the troops and of purchasing their loyalty, several of Rome's rulers, or aspirants to the rule, caused to be struck special coinages bearing types anad legends referring to specific legions.

Marc Antony. The first such series was issued by Marc Antony (circa BC 32-31) when he was preparing for the struggle with Augustus which culminated in the battle of Actium. coinage consisted of aurei and denarii, all of a uniform type: Obv. ANT AVG HIVIR R P C, galley with rowers. Rev. LEG-, legionary eagle between two standards. The reverse legends record the numbers of the legions which made up Antony's army, naming legions I to XXIII, XXV and XXX. In addition the Praetorian and Speculatorian cohorts were honored with coins. Of all the corps mentioned, surnames are given only for XII Antiquae, XVII Classicae and XVIII Lybicae. aurei of the series are very rare and are known only for the IVth, Vlth, XIVth and XIXth legions, and the Praetorian cohort. With few exceptions the denarii of the series are common.

L. Clodius Macer. During the troubled period which preceded the end of Nero's reign, L. Clodius Macer, legate of Numidia, raised an ill-timed revolt in Africa. Upon the accession of Galba the rebellion was quickly surpressed and Macer put to death. During his brief interval of power in AD 68, Macer struck a small coinage honoring the two legions at his disposal, I Macriana and III Augusta. The reverse type, a legionary eagle between two standards, was borrowed from the coinage of Antony. The usual obverse legend, L CLODI MACRI S C LIBERATRIX, is combined with several obverse types. The coins are denarii and are of a high degree of rarity.

Septimius Severus. Following the murder of Pertinax in AD 193, the legions of Gaul, Germany and the East each nominated candidates for the throne. Septimius Severus, backed by the legions which garrisoned the Danubian and Rhenish frontiers, emerged as the victor in the bitter struggle which followed. His earliest coinage (193-194) was struck with the double purpose of honoring the legions which had invested him with the purple and of rewarding their loyalty with a donative. The coins are of a single type: Obv. IMP CAE L SEP SEV PERT AVG. head of Severus, laureate. Rev. LEG TR P COS, legionary eagle between two standards. Denarii were struck for fifteen legions, I Minervia, I Italica, I Adjutrix, II Adjutrix, II Italica, III Italica, IV Flavia, V Macedonia, VII Claudia, VIII Augusta, XI Claudia, XIII Gemina, XIIII Gemina, XXII Primigenia, XXX Ulpia Victrix. Aurei exist only for I Minervia, VIII Augusta and XIIII Gemina, the latter also having a sestertius.

Gallienus. The legions stationed along the Rhine and Danube were honored with another special coinage instituted by Gallienus about 257. The Western provinces were at the time threatened with a barbarian invasion and the legions named on the coins were

charged with the defense of their frontiers. The issue appears to have been struck with the object of using it as a donative for those troops. Some of the legions whose fidelity was commemorated on the coins joined the rebellion of Postumus which led to the setting up of an independent Gallie state in 259. This naturally brought the coinage to a close. All of the fifteen legions honored by Severus, together with the Xth Gemina and the Hnd Parthica, are represented on the coins of Gallienus. The portrait of Gallienus is used as the obverse type with the legend GALLIENVS AVG. The badges or emblems of the legions displace the eagle and standards reverse type which preceding issues had employed. Among these badges are representations of a lion for IIII Flavia, a bull for VIII Augusta, a stork for III Italica, a centaur for II Parthica, and Neptune for XI Claudia. The coins are all base antoninianii and are common for most legions.

Victorinus. The Gallic Empire founded by Postumus was ruled by Victorinus during the greater part of the period from 268 to 270. The legionary coins of Victorinus, all aurei, commemorate the following corps: I Minervia, II Augusta, II Trajana, III Gallica, IIII Flavia Felix, V Macedonia, X Fretensis, X Gemina, XIII and XIIII also surnamed Gemina, XX Valeria Victrix, XXII Primigenia, XXX Ulpia Victrix. As eight of these legions were

quartered in distant parts of the empire, over which Victorinus had no control, the issue was probably in the nature of propaganda. The portrait of Victorinus appears on the obverse of the coins with the legend IMP VICTORINVS (or IMP C VICTORINVS) P F AVG. The reverses bear the names and numbers of the legions together with their legionary badges. Without exception the coins rank among the rarities of the entire Imperial series.

Carausius. In 287 Carausius struck out on an independent line, setting up a British Empire which successfully defied the legitimate rulers of Rome for nine years. Of his nine legionary coins only two honor British legions (II Augusta and XX Valeria Vietrix). The remaining legions mentioned on the coins (I Minervia, II Parthica, IIII Flavia, VII Claudia, VIII Augusta, XXII Primigenia, XXX Ulpia Victrix) were stationed in Gaul and along the Rhine. Carausius possibly had designs on that territory and this coinage may represent a bid for the support of those legions. Carausius appears on the obverse of the coins with the legend IMP CARAVSIVS P F AVG, or some variant. The badges of the legions are again used as the reverse types with the numbers and titles forming the reverse legends. Most of the coins are of bronze or billon and are quite rare. The few silver coins which exist are extremely rare.

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The war in Europe has hindered the coin business in many ways, in the United States as well as on the other side. We have received recent price lists from the following dealers:

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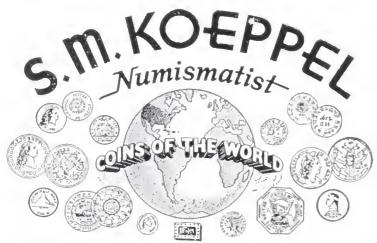
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